



清水玲子  
東京都生住。  
昭和58年、芳刊から2月大増刊号  
『三九郎傳説(ヨーヨー)』でデビュー。  
秀麗な画風と斬新的な作品世界で  
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月刊ララキアロディを中心活動中。  
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『魔術師』などがある。

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- 魔の魔の魔 全2巻
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- その他  
画集・輝夜姫



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COMICS

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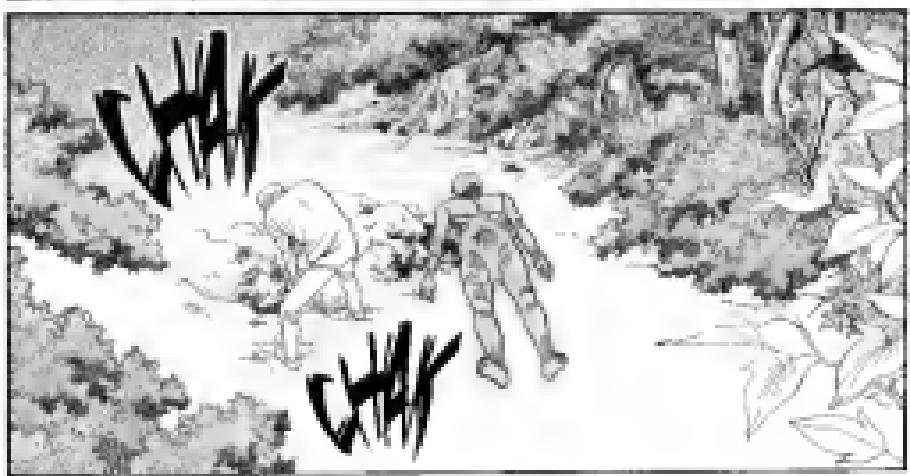


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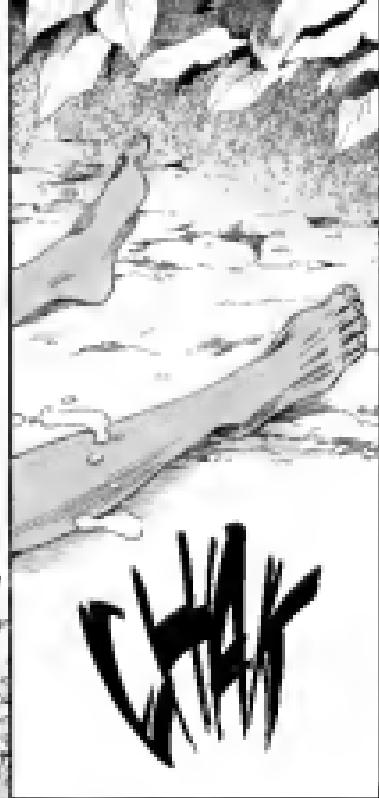
THE TOP SECRET

R E I K O S H I M I Z U  
THE TOP SECRET













I WANTED MONEY SO I KIDNAPPED A CHILD, BUT I MESSED IT UP... AND KILLED HIM

I AM FROM THE CHURCH. I UNDERSTAND YOU WANT TO CONFESS?

BEEP

BEEP

I KILLED A CHILD.

THE STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS ARE UP. IT'S BEEN SEVENTY YEARS



WE  
FOUND  
IT!!

HEY  
!

IT'S  
HERE  
!

MY CANCER  
IS TERMINAL.  
I DON'T HAVE  
MUCH TIME  
LEFT.

BEFORE I  
DIE, I WANT  
HIM TO BE  
DUG OUT OF  
THE HOLE  
I BURIED  
HIM IN.

I WANT  
HIM TO BE  
PROPERLY  
BURIED. I  
WANT TO  
CONFESS

I WANT  
FORGIVENESS  
AND I WANT  
TO GO TO  
HEAVEN.

I WILL  
TELL THEM  
EVERY-  
THING...

Body discovered  
in Niigata Marsh



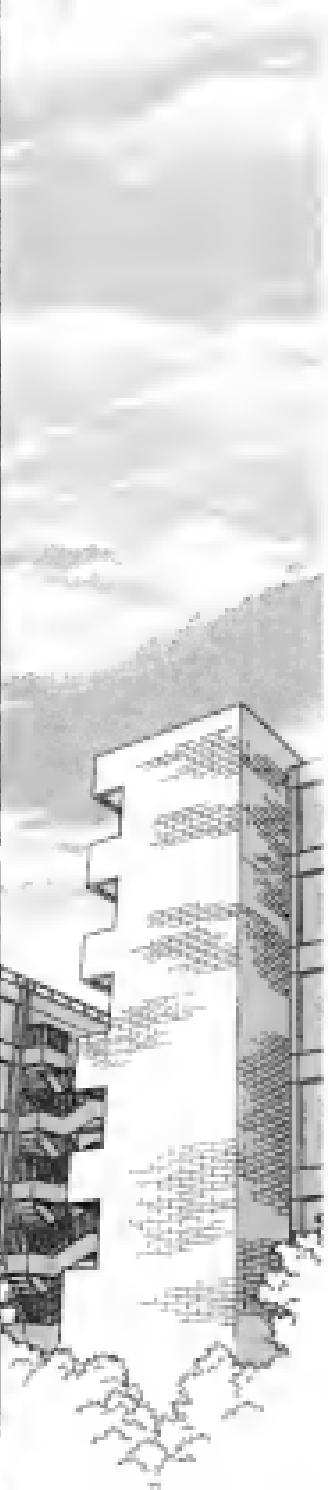
Confirmed suspect's confession  
The First will conduct the autopsy



Is it beyond statutes of limitations?  
I buried him 60 years ago.









YOU'VE HEARD OF BODIES LIKE THIS, RIGHT? THE MEDIA CALLS THEM MUMMIFIED, ETERNAL BODIES, AND THE LIKE.



smooth



Water      Alcohol      Earth      Sheep  
 $(H_2O)$        $(NaK^+Ca^{++}Me^{-})$        $(CH_3COOR)$        $(NaClO_4)$

IN EUROPE AND CHINA, IT'S NOT UNUSUAL TO FIND A BODY AS OLD AS 2000 YEARS.

PLACES WITH LOW TEMPERATURE AND HIGH MOISTURE, SUCH AS WETLANDS AND MARSHES CAN CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT THAT IS SEALED FROM BACTERIA. UNDER SUCH CONDITIONS, BODY FAT CAN TURN INTO ADIPOCERE (WAX-LIKE SUBSTANCE), MEANING A BODY CAN REMAIN UNCHANGED FOREVER.

Corpse

RIGHT... EVEN THE PORES ON THE SKIN ARE PRESERVED.



BUT...  
LOOK! DON'T IT SEEM LIKE HE COULD GET UP ANY MINUTE?

IT'S RARE IN JAPAN THOUGH, THANKS TO OUR WARM CLIMATE, THIS WAS ONLY POSSIBLE BECAUSE THE AREA USED TO BE A CHEMICAL PLANT. IT'S REALLY A MIRACLE, THE ULTIMATE MURDER EVIDENCE... IT'S JUST LIKE ART CREATED BY NATURE, DON'T YOU THINK?

HE KIDNAPPED THE BOY FOR RANSOM, BUT WASN'T ABLE TO RETRIEVE THE MONEY. ALSO, THE BOY HAD BEEN HIS FRIEND, SO HE STRANGLED HIM. WHAT AN AWFUL STORY.

EIGHT.

I THOUGHT THE MURDER VICTIM IN THIS CASE WAS A 10-YEAR-OLD BOY...



HA  
HA  
HA  
HA  
HA  
HA !



THIS BODY APPEARS TO BE A MAN IN HIS 40-SOMETHING. ARE YOU SUGGESTING THAT THE VICTIM SURVIVED THAT LONG UNDERGROUND LIKE A OCTOPUS?



IN SHORT, WHEN WE DUG UP THE AREA THE SUSPECT POINTED US TO, WE ENDED UP FINDING A DIFFERENT BODY. A BODY KILLED AT A DIFFERENT TIME AND BY A DIFFERENT PERSON — THIS BODY!





MURKIN ONLY CONFESSED TO THE MURDER OF A CHILD. HE DOESN'T HAVE MUCH TIME LEFT. IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT HE WOULD LIE ABOUT ANOTHER MURDER.







THERE ARE  
MULTIPLE STAB  
WOUNDS IN HIS  
GENITAL, LOWER  
ABDOMINAL THIGHS.  
THE CAUSE OF  
DEATH WAS MOST  
LIKELY EXSANGUINATION.

LOOK  
CAREFULLY!  
THE STAB  
WOUND IN HIS  
BACK WASN'T  
THE CAUSE  
OF DEATH.



THERE ARE DEFENSE  
WOUNDS ON HIS HANDS.  
LEFT PINKY IS MISSING.

BEFORE IT  
REACHES THE  
STATUTE OF  
LIMITATIONS



THIS MURDERER  
MIGHT BE A GENERAL  
BADASS HE'S STILL  
OUT THERE, FREE!



AM I  
WRONG,  
TSUYOSHI?  
BY

WE  
SHOULD DO  
EVERYTHING  
WE CAN  
NOW!



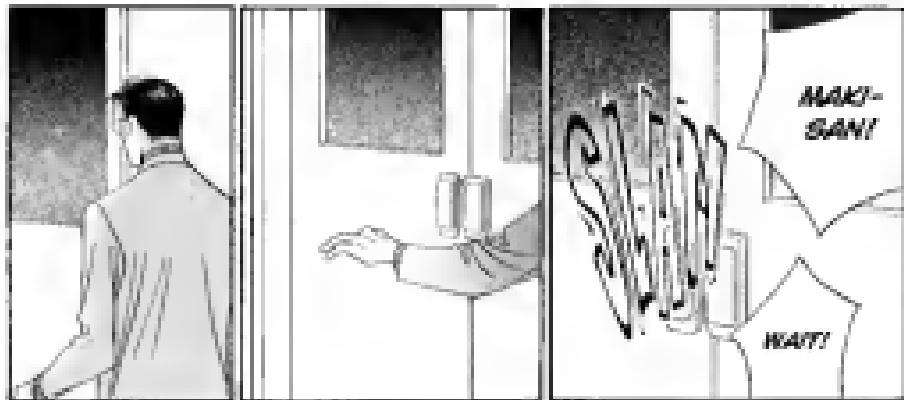
BEFORE IT  
BECOMES A  
COLD CASE LIKE  
THAT BOY WHO  
IS STILL SOME-  
WHERE IN THAT  
MARSH,







IS THAT  
SATISFA-  
TORY?





HER EXPRESSION WAS SAYING...



"WHAT ARE YOU DOING, IDIOT?"

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Police Re-  
search Center,  
the Ninth Labo-  
ratory of Legal  
Medicine at the  
Ninth

Scientific Police Research Center  
The Ninth Laboratory of Legal Medicine

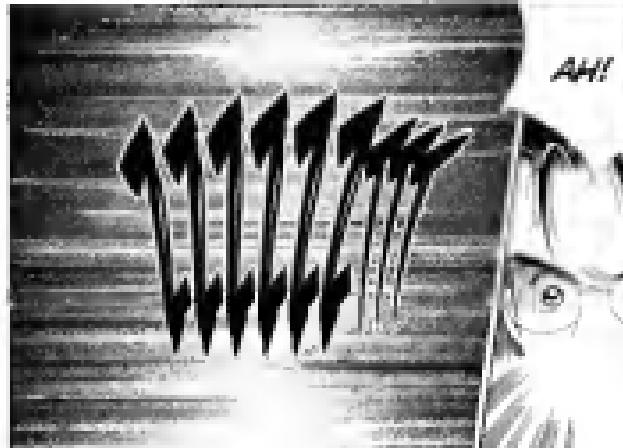
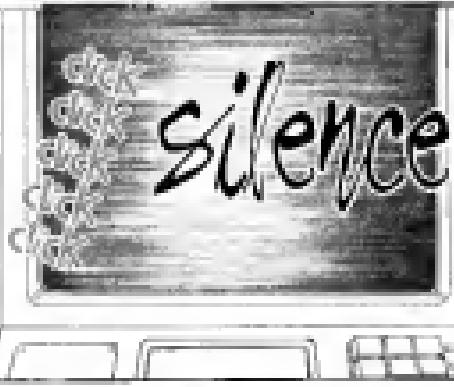
MRI  
research  
means ...

The only place in  
Japan where MRI  
is used as a criminal  
investigation tool. It  
handles cases that  
cannot be solved  
through standard  
investigation method.

Based on  
these images,  
police will try  
to solve the  
case.

putting the brain of  
a deceased in a MRI  
scanner, and project  
the images seen by  
the deceased on  
a screen





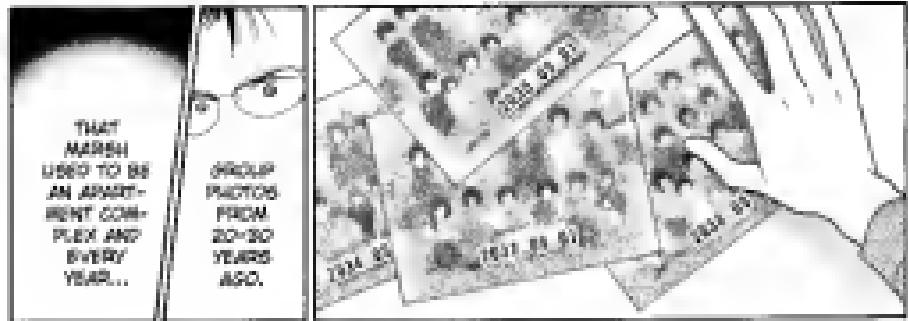






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# CLATTER



EVERY YEAR THERE WAS A SUMMER FESTIVAL WHERE ALL THE FAMILIES GATHERED.





HE USED  
TO LIVE IN  
THE AKATSUKI  
APARTMENT  
COMPLEX.

THAT  
MEANS...

...EVEN IF HE WAS  
ALLOWED BACK  
AFTER THIS PHOTOC  
WHO TAKED.

WIFE, DAUGHTER AND  
SON. EVERY YEAR,  
THE WHOLE FAMILY  
WOULD ATTEND THE  
SUMMER FESTIVAL...  
BUT THEY DISAP-  
PEARED AFTER 2001.

IT IS  
WITHIN  
STATUTE OF LIMITA-  
TION DATE  
THIS SEP-  
TEMBER.

Year 2001		Remainder lot	
Plant	Plant	Plant	Plant
Plant	Plant	Plant	Plant
Plant	Plant	Plant	Plant
Plant	Plant	Plant	Plant

NAME:  
NAME:









NO,  
DOCTORS  
DON'T CUT  
OFF HIS  
EAR!!

WEDDING?!  
WHEN?!

YUKINO!

YUKINO  
—7

BYE BYE

...

HERE, THE  
INVITATION.  
IT'S IN APRIL,  
SO DON'T YOU  
MISS IT!

OH, COME ON  
HOW LONG  
ARE YOU GOING TO  
TALK ABOUT THAT?!  
I JUST HAD A FEW  
BAD ONES, BUT THE  
REST WERE FINE!  
THEY JUST DIDN'T  
GET TO THE  
MARRIAGE  
STAGE!

# DEPRESSED

WE USED TO COMPETE ON WHO HAD  
THE WORSE LUCK  
WITH MEN BACK IN  
COLLEGE, BUT NOW  
YOU ARE GETTING  
MARRIED...

WE LIVE  
TOGETHER  
ALREADY

YUP

IS HE  
MUTE?

WHAT  
WAS HIS  
NAME  
SHOUT?

I SEE. I  
WAS JUST  
THINKING.  
YOU HAVEN'T  
PHONED ME  
AND WHINED  
LATELY, BUT  
THINGS HAVE  
BEEN GOING  
WELL.

ALSO, I  
WANT MY  
BROTHER  
TO FEEL  
RELIEVED.

HE GROW UP IN  
A SIMILAR WAY AS  
ME. HE LOST HIS  
FATHER WHEN HE  
WAS LITTLE, SO  
WE BOTH DREAM  
OF HAVING A  
FAMILY.

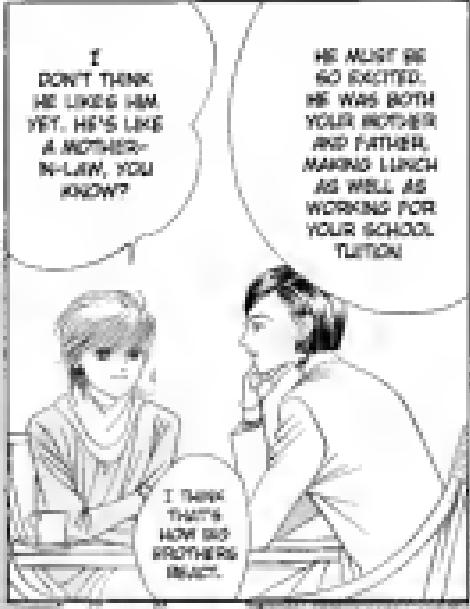
THOUGH,  
WE ARE  
MARRIED  
LATE. 33  
AND 40.

YOUR  
BROTHER,  
HUH.



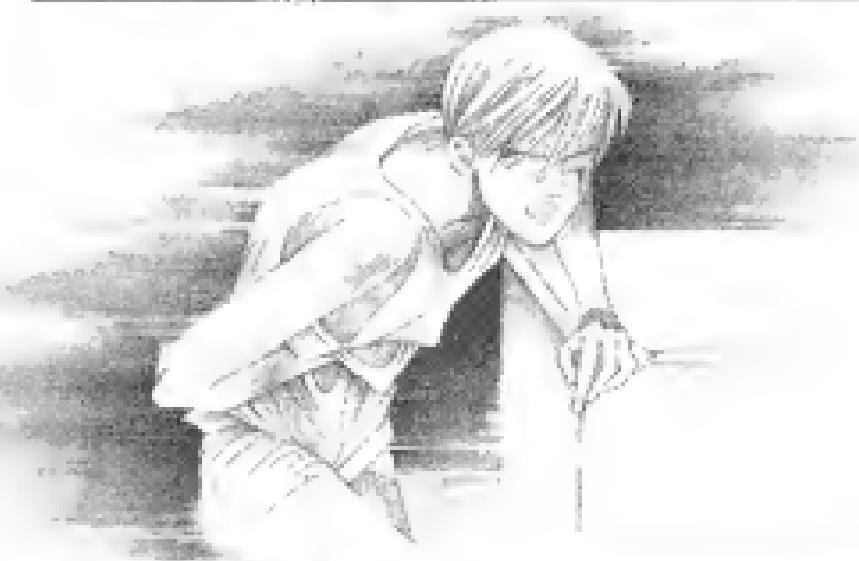


I DON'T THINK  
HE LIKES HIM  
YET. HE'S LIKE  
A MOTHER-IN-LAW, YOU  
KNOW?





silence





Takashi  
Hone  
He was  
sixteen  
back in  
2017

FATHER WORKED IN CONSTRUCTION. HE MISSED WORK OFTEN, CLAIMING THAT HE HAD TO TAKE CARE OF THE CHILDREN.

MOTHER, CHIKARA, WAS HOSPITALIZED IN 2005 FROM A BURN INJURY SUSTAINED DURING A COOKING ACCIDENT. SHE DIED THREE MONTHS LATER.

THE FATHER IS THE VICTIM, TAKAHIRO OGO, AND THE MOTHER WAS CHIKARA OGIO. HE IS THEIR OLDEST SON. THERE WAS ALSO A 10-YEAR-OLD SISTER.



NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY YOU HAVE A LONG FACE EVEN THOUGH YOU SUCCEEDED IN PROGRESSING THAT BRAIN.

LOSING A FATHER WHEN YOU WERE ALREADY DESTITUTE. I WONDER HOW THESE GIRLS SURVIVED...

NOT MUCH.  
IT TAKES A  
LOT OF TIME  
TO REPAIR  
THE WASHERS.

IS THIS  
ALL YOU  
GOT? ANY-  
THING ELSE?  
ANYTHING  
ANIMATED?

GLARING  
AT HIS  
FATHER  
WITH A  
BLOODY  
FACE...  
THAT'S  
RATHER  
MEANING-  
FUL...

IF YOU  
TOUCH IT  
TOO MUCH,  
YOU'RE GOING  
TO MESS UP  
THE REPAIRED  
DATA!

AH!  
LET  
ME  
OUT  
OF  
HERE

WE NEED  
SOMETHING  
MORE DIRECTLY  
RELATED TO  
THE MATERIAL.

WELL, HURRY  
UP! THIS WON'T  
TELL YOU MUCH  
MORE THAN THE  
WEATHER.

CRABBE-  
SHANT

click  
click  
click

PLEASE  
STOP  
TOUCHING  
IT!

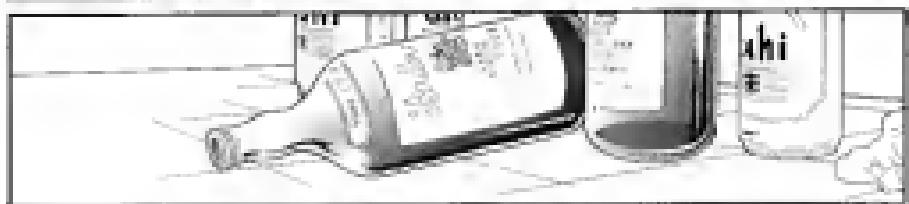
COMING  
DAY

HURRY

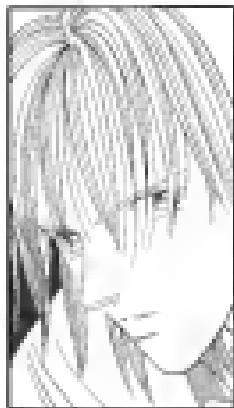
WHAT'S  
THAT?

THERE IS  
SOMETHING  
BY HIS FEET.

WHAT?







I HEARD THAT YOU  
LOST YOUR FATHER  
TO CANCER, WHEN  
YOU WERE FIFTEEN,  
MUCH LIKE US.









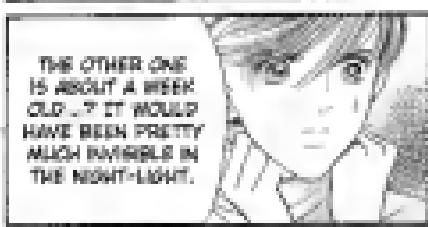




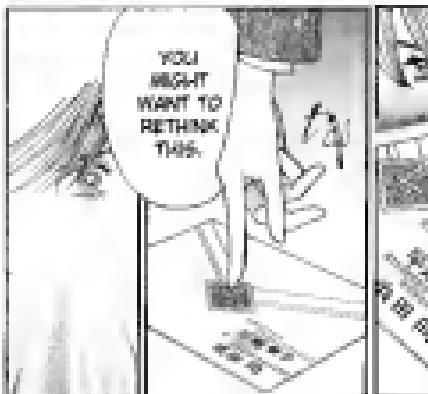




IT'S HARD TO BE SURE WITH THE MAKE-UP ON, BUT THESE TWO  
BREASTS ARE QUITE RECENT.



THE OTHER ONE  
IS ABOUT A WEEK  
OLD... IT WOULD  
HAVE BEEN PRETTY  
MUCH INVISIBLE IN  
THE NIGHT-LIGHT.

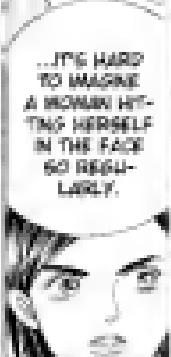


YOU  
MIGHT  
WANT TO  
RETHINK  
THIS.





ALTHOUGH,  
IT'S ENTIRELY POSSIBLE  
THAT I'M MIS-  
TAKEN ABOUT  
WHO HIT YOU...

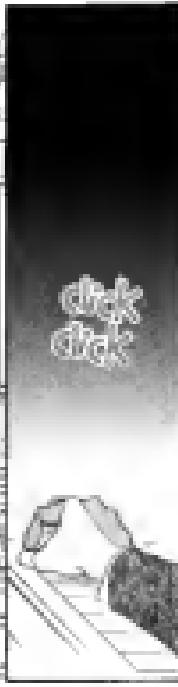


...IT'S HARD  
TO IMAGINE  
A WOMAN HIT-  
ING HERSELF  
IN THE FACE  
SO BRUTALLY.



WELL,  
THEN, I'LL  
SEE YOU IN  
TEN MIN-  
UTES?





HE'S BEEN ARRESTED TWICE FOR VIOLENCE UNDER THE HEAVY INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL. HE WAS IN A REHAB FROM APR. 20-24.

TWO YEARS AGO HE MOVED IN WITH Aoi HAMADA. CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED.

160

60

SHOJI HAYASHI  
DAD. SHIZUKO HAYASHI'S SECOND SON. LIVES IN YOKOHAMA.

THIS IS THE MAN SHE IS GOING TO MARRY.

160

150

JUST BY SCROLLING THROUGH POLICE RECORDS, EVEN A STRANGER LIKE ME CAN FIND OUT THIS MUCH BASED ON A SIMPLE FIRST IMPRESSION.

BUT YOU, WHO HAVE BEEN FRIENDS WITH HER FOR TEN YEARS...

OR WERE YOU JUST TOO OVERWHELMED BY THE SHINY ENGAGEMENT RING ON HER FINGER TO NOTICE ANYTHING?

HAVE YOU EVER NOTICED THE BRUISES ON HER FACE? DID YOU EVER TALKED TO HER ABOUT IT?

HOW LONG...

...HAVE YOU BEEN A MEDICAL EXAMINER?

MOKI-SAN!















HE WAS  
STABBED IN HIS  
BACK WHILE HE  
WAS LYING DOWN.  
HE LOOKS AT THE  
BLOOD ON HIS  
HAND...



THERE'S A  
SHADOW OF  
SOMEONE...

HE GETS UP  
AND LOOKS  
AROUND...

THERE...



THE  
FEET...



THAT'S A  
CHILD...











STOP IT,  
AOI!

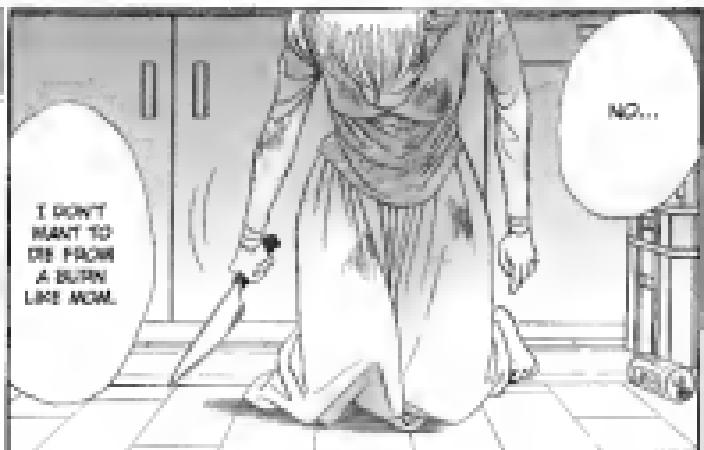
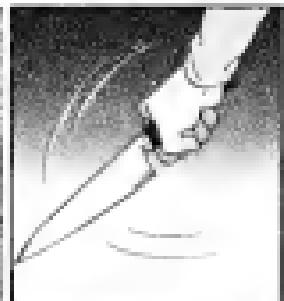








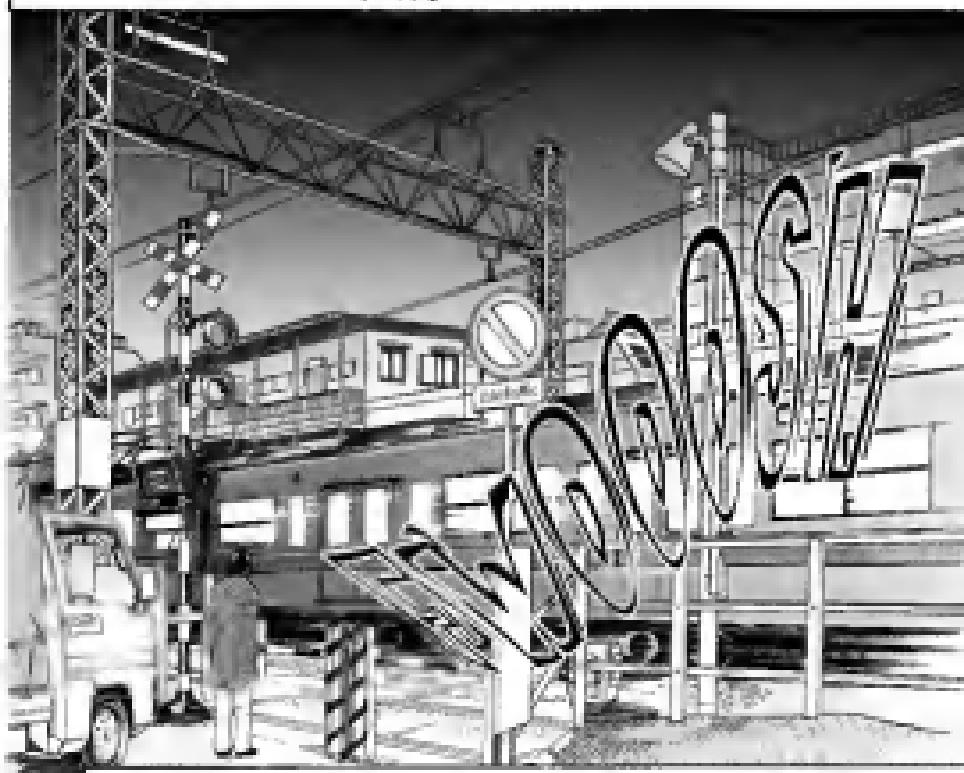
A STRANGER  
COULD TELL I  
WAS DOMESTI-  
CALLY ABUSED.







DING DING DING







SO...?

WE CAN'T  
CHARGE HER  
FOR A 25 YEAR  
OLD CRIME!

SORRY  
YOU  
SHOULD UNDER-  
STAND THAT EVEN  
IF ACT WAS THE  
MURDERER, SHE  
WAS UNDERAGE  
AT THE TIME

BUT  
HAVE NO  
IMAGINA-  
TION.

WHAT  
IS SO  
FUNNY  
??

YOU'RE  
SMART.





DO YOU  
WANT TO  
WAIT UNTIL  
SHE KILLS  
AGAIN?!

TWENTY-  
FIVE YEARS  
AGO, SHE WAS  
IN A SIMILAR  
SITUATION!





THERE'S  
A NOTE-  
BOOK AND  
A CELL...



IT APPEARS  
THAT THESE  
BELONG TO  
THE VICTIM.







HE ATTACKED  
ME OUT OF NO-  
WHERE! LOOK AT  
THIS WOUND! I  
THOUGHT I WAS  
GOING TO BE  
KILLED!



I TOLD YOU  
IT WAS A  
SELF DE-  
FENDER!

SO I  
THOUGHT  
HE WAS  
GOING TO  
STOP HER



HE  
GRABBED  
THE KNIFE  
AWAY FROM  
ACI



WHAT  
THE HELL!



BUT HE  
CAME AT  
ME WITH  
THE SAME  
KNIFE!



WHAT IS  
WRONG  
WITH  
THESE  
TWO?

"CONGRATULATIONS."



"THANK YOU."



"I WOULDNT  
KEEP IT FOR  
THE WORLD."



"I'M THE MEDICAL  
RECOGNIZER, AND ALSO  
A FRIEND OF HER'S. IS  
IT ALL RIGHT FOR ME  
TO TALK TO HER?"







HE CAME  
BACK FROM  
TOKYO.



HE CAME  
BACK TO  
SAVE ME  
FROM  
DADDY..



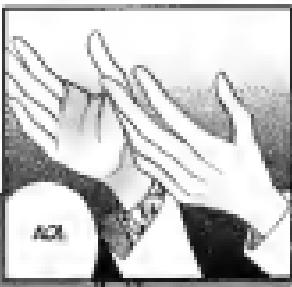
I  
WAS SO  
SCARED



"...SO  
EVERY-  
THING  
IS OKAY  
NOW?"

HE SAID  
"I'M HERE  
NOW..."









CHIRP





shay  
shay



## Second Mummified Body Found in the Marsh (Niigata)

According to Mr Ni's confession

A victim from a 60+ years old  
kidnapping case. DNA pending.





FOR ONE  
REASON  
ONLY

TODAY,  
I'M GOING  
TO THE  
POLICE...

I WOULD LIKE  
THE PEOPLE OF  
THE AREA TO  
FIND OUT THAT'S  
WHY I'M GOING  
THERE... TO ASK  
THEM TO LOOK  
INTO IT.

WHAT  
MORIAMI  
SAW AS  
HE DIED.

REC •





I BELIEVE  
THEY WILL  
DO WHAT'S  
BEST.



As for the current case, she was sent for mental evaluation for the assault.



Aoi Hamada was not charged for the murder of her father 25 years ago, due to her young age at the time of the crime and the domestic abuse.





IN 2006, WHEN HE WAS 14, HE LOST HIS MOTHER TO AN ACCIDENT AND LIVED WITH HIS FATHER AND HIS YOUNGER SISTER, AG. IN AN APARTMENT. WHEN HE GRADUATED JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, HE MOVED FROM NAGATA TO TOKYO AND STARTED WORKING.

THE VICTIM,  
TAKASHI HAMADA  
(40). BEFORE  
WE VIEW HIS  
MPC, WE NEED  
TO REVIEW HIS  
BACKGROUND.

2001 - SEPTEMBER



BUT SHORTLY AFTER THAT,  
TAKASHI FATHER  
WENT "MISSING"  
AND HE FLEW BACK TO LIVE  
WITH HIS  
SISTER.

IN REALITY,  
HIS SISTER HAD  
KILLED THEIR FATHER. HOWEVER  
IT'S DIFFICULT FOR  
A 10-YEAR-OLD TO  
KILL A BODY SO  
THERE'S A STRONG  
POSSIBILITY THAT  
HE HELPED.

"MAYBE  
THAT'S  
WHAT I  
NEED  
TO KNOW  
ABOUT  
THIS."  
HE  
CONTINUED





"MORNING.  
EVEN IF I  
DID KNOW  
SOMETHING,  
I WOULDN'T  
TELL YOU."



"AFTERWARDS,  
WITH THE HELP  
OF A RELATIVE,  
TAKAHASHI FOUND  
A JOB.  
  
WITH HIS  
OWN EFFORTS,  
HE WAS ABLE  
TO SEND ADI TO  
COLLEGE. HE  
WAS A GOOD  
WORKER AND  
PEOPLE THOUGHT  
OF HIM AS A  
GENTLE, QUIET  
AND POLITE  
PERSON."



"HOWEVER..."



"WHEN IT  
CAME TO  
MY BROTHER,  
HE COULD  
HARDLY"



"drop"

click



EARLIER THAT DAY, AGI WENT OUT TO MEET HER FRIEND. WHILE SHE WAS OUT, TAKASHI AND ISAOJI HAD A FIGHT.

THIS IS FROM HALF A DAY BEFORE HIS DEATH.















IT SEEMS  
HER FATHER  
KILLED HER  
MOTHER.





Their mother,  
Chikako, was  
hospitalized.  
Because of the  
hospital record  
it didn't take long  
to find the image  
from Tachis  
brain.





THESE  
ARE FEW  
EXAMPLES OF  
TAKASHI'S  
THOUGHTS  
THAT SEEM TO  
BE RELATED  
TO THIS IN-  
PRINT.



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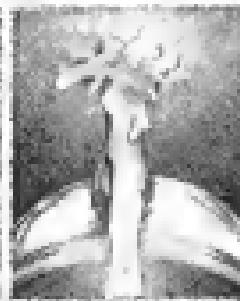
THIS IS  
TAKASHI'S  
PARK

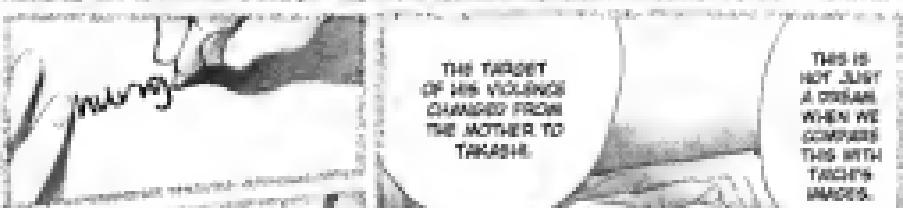
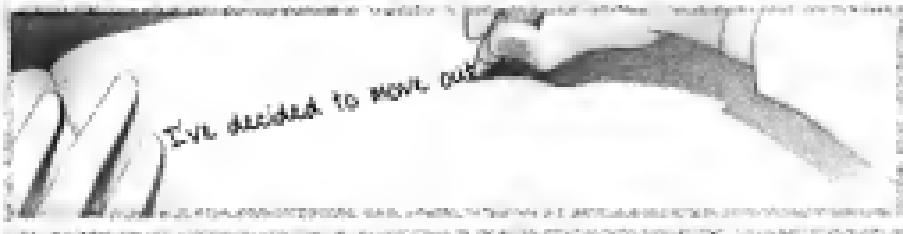
I BELIEVE THAT RECENT WAS EXTREMELY TRAUMATIC FOR HER. EVEN AFTER 25 YEARS, HE OFTEN HAD NIGHTMARES ABOUT IT.



1st class +  
Gold Stock Gold  
Gold Stock White  
1st class +  
Gold Stock Gold  
Gold Stock White







I've decided to work out

I've decided  
to work out  
I can't take it

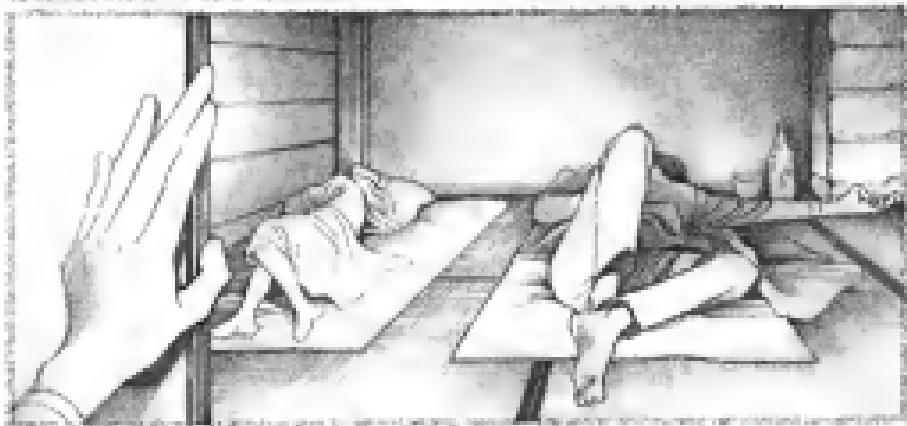
THE TARGET  
OF HIS VIOLENCE  
CHANGED FROM  
THE MOTHER TO  
TRASH.

THIS IS  
NOT JUST  
A DREAM.  
WHEN WE  
COMPARE  
THIS WITH  
TACHIKI'S  
IMAGES.

HE FEARED  
FOR HIS LIFE  
AND DECIDED  
TO MOVE OUT.

HE DID  
STAND NEXT  
TO TAKAHASHI  
SEVERAL  
TIMES WITH A  
KNIFE OR  
A KNIFE.

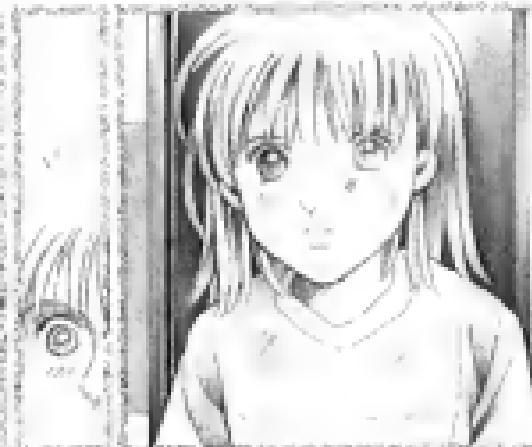
T'LL BE KILLED.



"WANT YOU  
GOING  
OUT?"



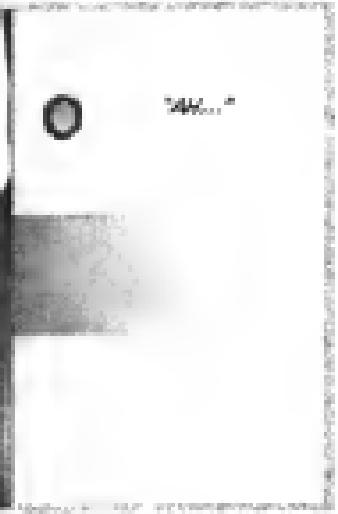
"I WANT TO  
COME, TOO!"



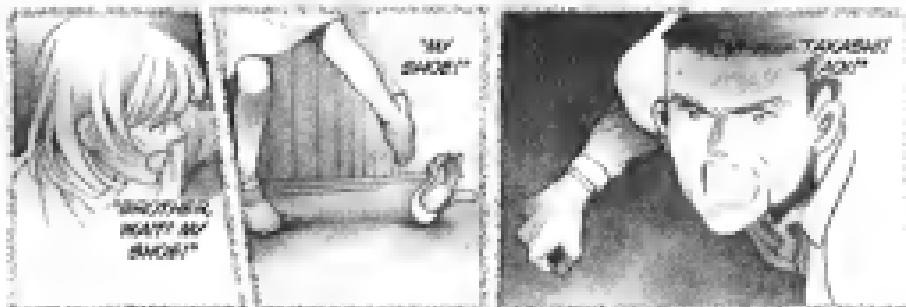
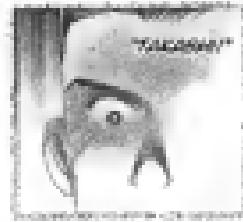
"WHAT'S  
WRONG?  
IT'S THE  
MIDDLE OF  
THE NIGHT.  
WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING?"



"WHERE ARE  
YOU GOING?  
I WANT TO  
COME WITH  
YOU PRETTY  
PLEASE!"



"AHHH!"





"BROTHER!"

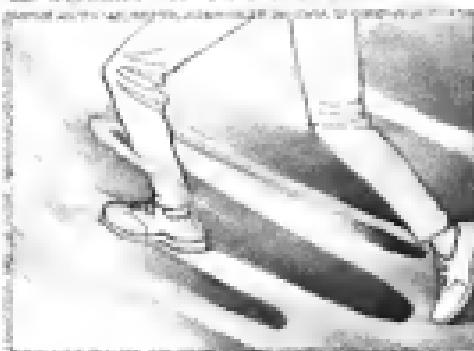


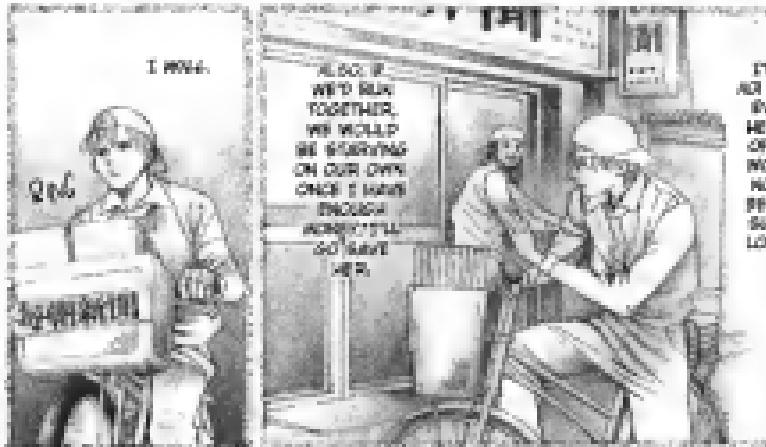
"BROTHER!"



TAKABAYASHI  
GET BACK  
HERE! YOU  
DON'T CARE  
WHAT HAPPENS TO  
ADM!"

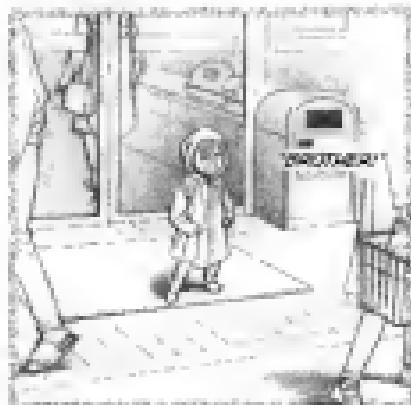
"YOU DON'T  
CARE ABOUT  
HER!!"





"BROTHER!"

SOON...



"HEY, THERE  
YOU ARE!"

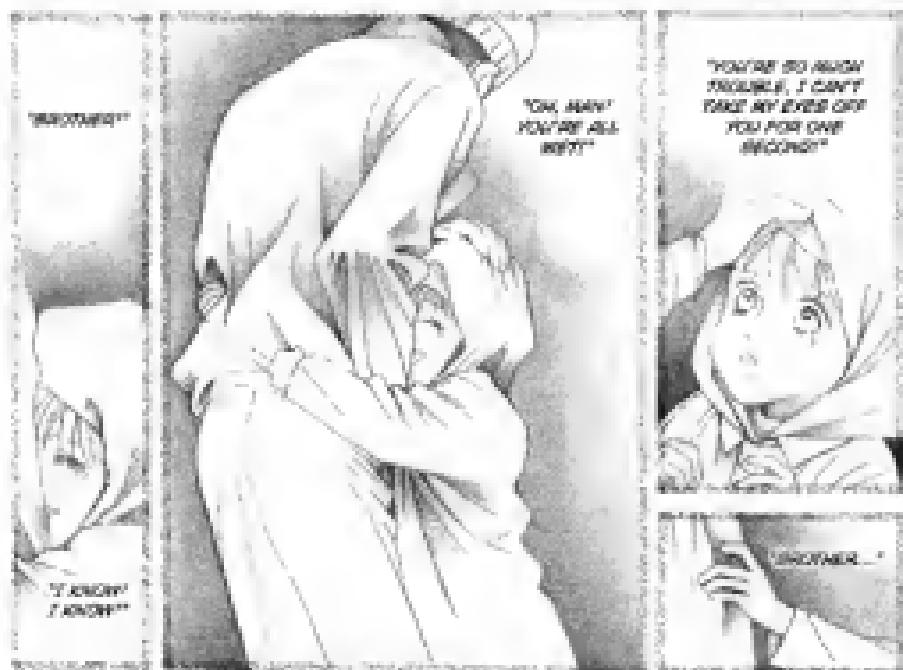
"WHERE  
IS MY BIG  
BROTHER?"



"WHY DID  
YOU GO OUT  
BY YOURSELF?"

"HEY, YOU  
IDIOT!"







WHY DID I  
LEAVE HER  
BOUNDARY



SHE'S MY  
ONE ONLY  
SISTER AND  
I'M HER ONE  
AND ONLY  
BROTHER!

HOW  
COULD I  
HAVE LEFT  
HER?

AHHHHH!

AH!

TOMORROW...  
KENT

"TOMORROW-KUN,  
WHAT HAPPENED TO  
THE DELIVEREST HEART  
WHAT'S HURTING  
TOMORROW-KUN?"

DON'T  
LET ME  
BE TOO  
LATE! NO  
MATTER  
WHAT,  
I WILL  
NEVER...

OH GOD,  
PLEASE LET HER  
STILL BE ALIVE!  
PLEASE LET HER  
BE ALL RIGHT!

I want her w.  
I'll protect her

...I NEVER LEFT  
HER AGAIN! I  
WILL ALWAYS  
PROTECT HER!  
PLEASE DON'T

PLEASE  
GOD!







"WHEN  
DAD'S  
AWAKE, HE  
HITS ME ALL  
THE TIME."

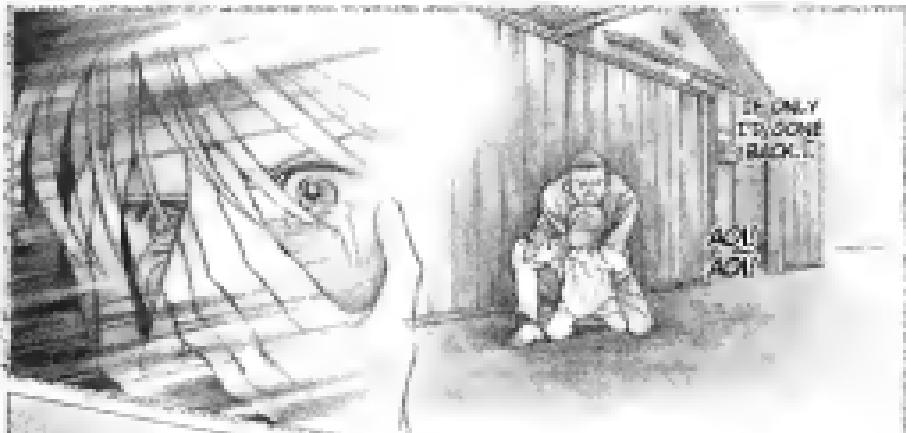


"I STARVED  
HER AND HE'S  
BEEN ABLE TO  
BREAK THEM."

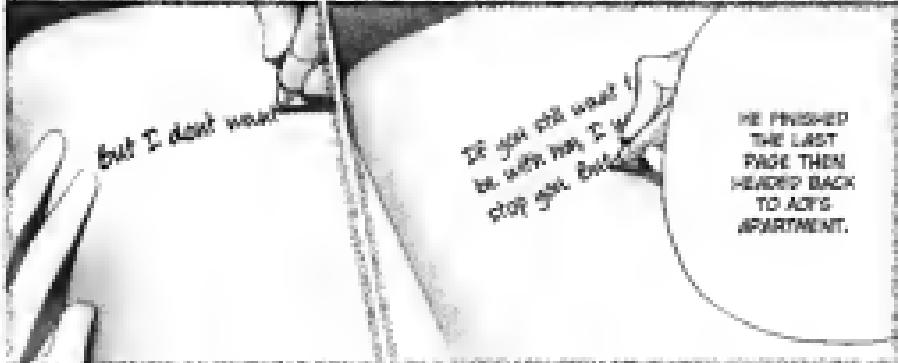


"THIS  
WHOLE TIME."













I WON'T  
EVER LET  
YOU KILL  
AGAIN,  
ACI.



WHATEVER.  
IT TAKES.



REGARDLESS  
OF WHAT I  
HAVE TO DO.

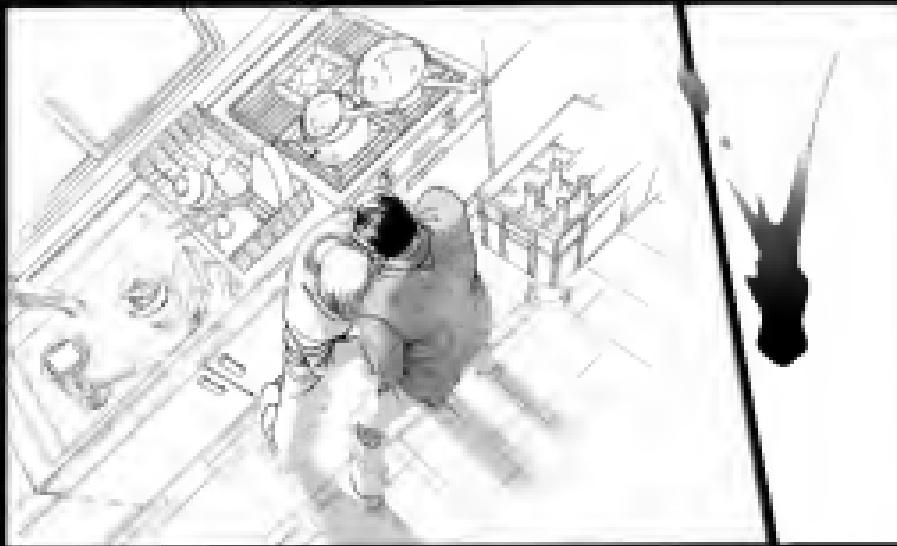




...HAPPENS  
TO ME...



NO  
MATTER  
WHAT...







BASED ON THESE IMAGES AND THE CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE, SHOJI HAYASHI'S SELF-DEFENSE IS PROVED. HE SHOULD NOT BE CHARGED.

protect you

TAKASHI  
WANTED TO  
STOP Aoi,  
EVEN IF IT  
MEANT DOING  
THE KILLING  
HIMSELF.







THE  
KILLER...

YOU KNEW THE  
KILLER WAS A  
CHILD... THAT IT  
WAS AD...

YOU  
ALREADY  
KNEW,  
DON'T  
YOU?

SUCH WHIMP  
FROM  
THE VERY  
DEEPEST  
MIND?

NOT ONE OF THEM  
WOULD BE ABLE TO  
DETERMINE THE CAUSE  
AND TIME OF DEATH AS  
QUICKLY AND PRECISELY  
AS YOU COULD.



WITH YOUR ENORMOUS  
KNOWLEDGE, YOU CAN AT  
INSTANTLY PIRMING DOWN  
THE CAUSE OF DEATH OF  
THE BODY BEFORE YOUR  
EYES...

BUT...



THAT'S ALL.



YOU CRITICALLY  
LACK  
IMAGINATION



MARY-SAN  
...



FOR A  
MEDICAL  
EXAMINER,  
THAT IS A  
FATAL  
PLAN.

YOU CANNOT  
GRASP THE  
VICTIM'S CIRCUM-  
STANCES...  
THE SOCIETY  
THAT  
BROUGHT  
FORTH THE  
INCIDENT.

NO MATTER HOW  
HARD YOU TRY  
YOU CAN'T  
IMAGINE  
ANYTHING BUT  
THE HAPPY  
LIFE THAT  
SURROUNDS  
YOU



THE  
UNHAPPINESS  
THAT'S SO  
REMOVED FROM  
YOUR OWN  
EXPERIENCE...



THE SACRIFICES OF  
PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
TO LIVE, THINKING  
EVERY DAY THAT  
DEATH WOULD BE  
EASIER THAN THE  
LIFE FILLED WITH  
SUFFERING...



THE DARKNESS  
LYING IN THE  
PITS OF OUR  
SOCIETY...

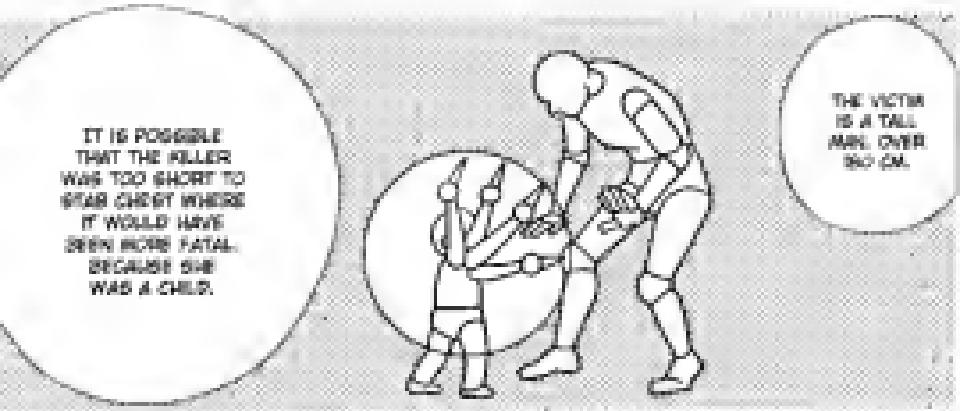
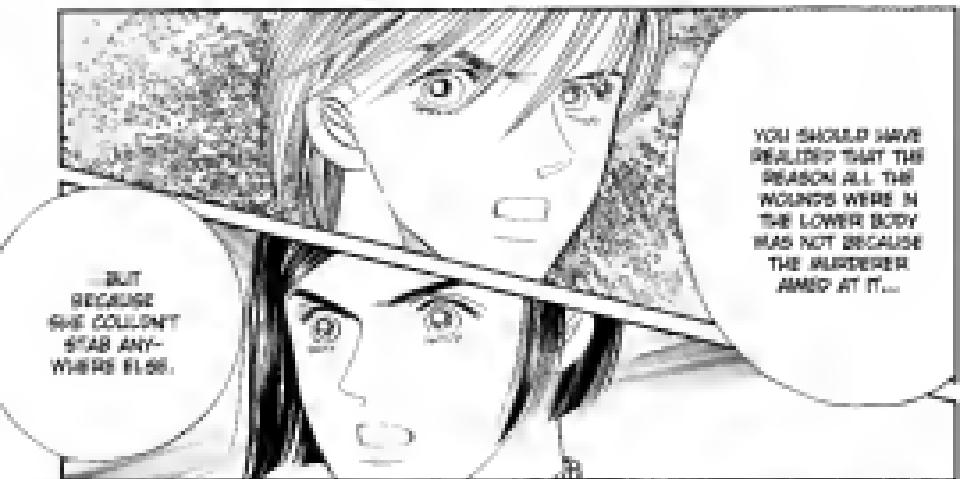


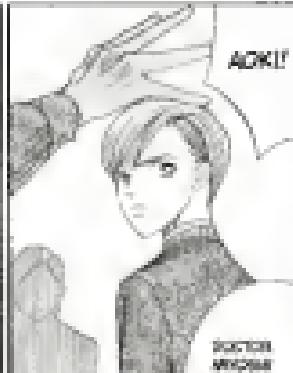
YOU DON'T  
TRY TO  
IMAGINE...  
YOU DON'T  
EVEN WANT  
TO NOTICE  
THESE  
THINGS.



NO MATTER HOW  
EXPERIENCED  
YOU'LL GET,  
IT WON'T  
CHANGE.

MAKI-  
SAN!









WHAT  
RIGHT DO  
YOU HAVE  
TO GIVE IT  
TO HER?

THAT  
NOTEBOOK



...HER  
SECRET THAT  
HER BROTHER  
TRIED TO  
PROTECT WITH  
HIS LIFE!

YOU'RE  
THE ONE  
WHO FORCE-  
FULLY PLEASE  
OPEN...





I finally  
understood



In that  
moment





Looking  
at...



In this  
moment...

These prideful tears she didn't  
show even when she thought she  
was dying...



The tears she's been holding  
back while looking to...







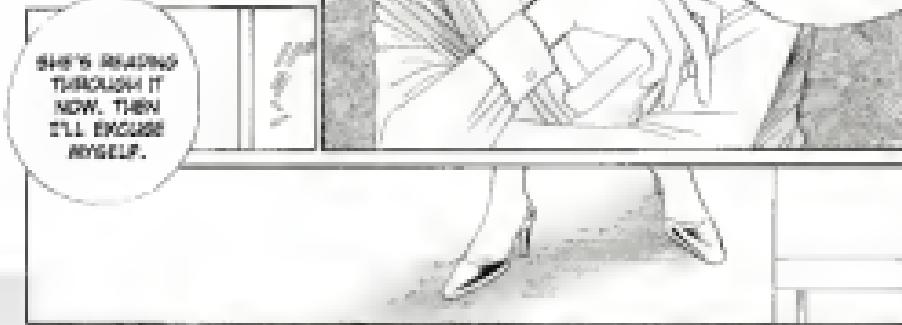
SHE'S THE  
MOTHER OF  
THE CHILD  
WHICH COMES  
TURNED INTO  
WAX...

CHIEF  
WITIGURA  
AKANE-SAN  
IS WAITING  
TO SEE YOU  
DOWNSTAIRS.

BESTON  
CHIEF!

COMING.

A  
DOCTOR...  
MAYBE A  
NURSE.





PLEASE KEEP IT, MADMAN.  
IF, BY ANY CHANCE, AN  
INFORMATION LEAK TO A  
PRESS AGENCY OR MASS  
MEDIA WERE DISCOVERED,  
THE SENTENCE MIGHT BE  
UP TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON  
OR 6 MILLION YEN IN FINE  
TELLING YOUR RELATIVES  
OR NEIGHBORS IS  
FORBIDDEN AS WELL.

'I SHALL TAKE  
UPON MYSELF A  
DUTY OF  
CONFIDENTIALITY  
REGARDING THE  
WHOLE CONTENT OF  
THE NINE IMAGES  
RETRIEVED BY THE  
FORENSIC INVESTIGA-  
TION OFFICE  
SECTION NINE OF  
THE POLICE  
SCIENTIFIC  
RESEARCH  
CENTRAL.'

'I ACCEPT THAT NO MATTER THE  
CONTENT OF THE NINE IMAGES, ALL  
LEGAL ACTIONS BASED ON SAID  
IMAGES WILL BE DECLARED INVALID.'

'I  
SHALL...'

'I'M VERY  
SORRY, EVEN  
THOUGH YOU  
BOthered To  
COME HERE  
PERSONALLY...

EVEN  
THOUGH  
WE'RE THE  
SAME AGE,  
YOU KEEP ON  
SPEAKING SO  
FORMALLY TO  
ME...

BUT I HAVE  
TO ATTEND THE  
PROJECTION OF  
THE IMAGES  
RETRIEVED FROM  
THE BRAIN OF  
SAY-LADY'S  
MOM.

YOU CAN  
LEAVE  
WHATEVER  
YOU CAME  
TO SAY  
WITH ADO  
AT DASA.

WHY?

EVER SINCE  
KAITO INTRODUCED  
US TO EACH OTHER,

IT WAS  
THAT,  
ALL OF A  
SUDDEN

IS THAT WHAT  
YOU'RE STATING?

I HAVE  
TO TURN  
ON THE  
SECURITY  
ON THIS  
FLOOR,  
SO LET'S  
LEAVE.



YOU  
WOULDN'T  
EVER LOOK  
AT ME...

AND YET  
THE PERSON  
YOU HOLD  
DEAREST IS  
ALWAYS  
LOOKING  
TO ME  
INSTEAD.



Looking the system in one minute

PI  
PI  
PI  
PI

PI  
PI  
PI  
PI



Anomaly detected.  
One minute  
left to enter  
10-digit  
password

MARU-SAN?

Anomaly detected  
30 seconds  
left to enter  
10-digit  
password

Activating  
the alarm

HAVE I  
STRUCK  
SOMETHING  
GOOD?

EVEN THOUGH  
I HAVE NO  
INSIGHT?

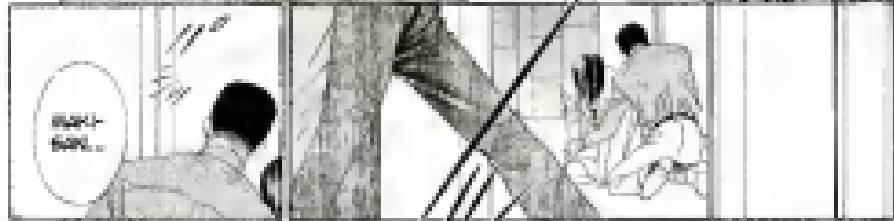
THIS IS THE  
FIRST TIME I  
MADE YOUR  
FACE COLOR  
CHANGE...



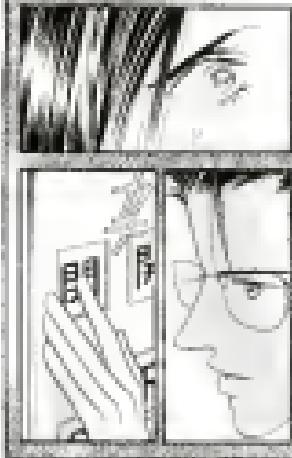












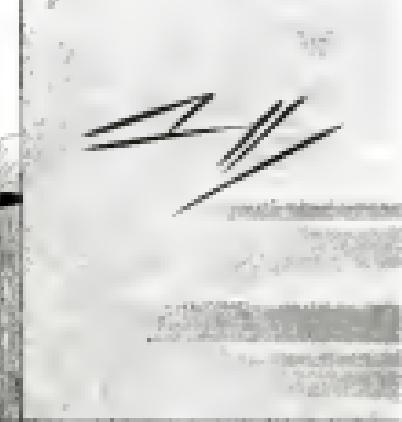
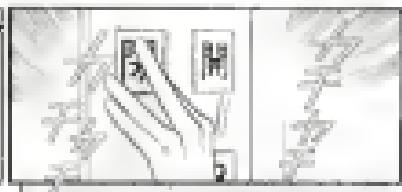
IT DOESN'T  
MATTER...

8 335  
000



I  
LOVE  
YOU







MITSUURA-SAN!

MADAM?

— PLEASE  
STOP FOR A  
MOMENT!

I'M  
SORRY,  
BUT I'M  
FINE,  
REALLY.

IF I FEEL  
BAD I'LL  
TELL YOU  
MYSELF.  
SO  
PLEASE  
CONTINUE.

THERE'S NEED TO  
HURRY. YOU SEEM  
A LITTLE TIRED.  
LET'S CONTINUE FOR  
A MOMENT.

IT'S  
ALRIGHT.

I'M FINE.  
CONTINUE!

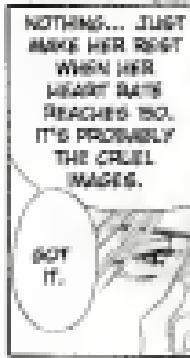
...THERE IS  
SO LITTLE  
TIME LEFT...

PLEASE  
...

WHAT DO  
WE DO?

...

...



FROM THE IMAGES, WE CAN TELL THAT ON THE SAME DAY HE BOUGHT A ROPE AND A PARAFIN TAPE HE LATER USED TO STRANGLE THE BOY. HE STARTED TO GATHER THE TOOLS HE NEEDED TO BURY THE BODY AS WELL.

LASTLY,  
THIS IS TWO  
HOURS BEFORE  
ROBERT'S DEATH -  
THIS IS THE  
MOMENT WHERE  
HE RECEIVES HIS  
LAST MEAL.

...ARE  
YOU  
ALRIGHT,  
ROBERT?

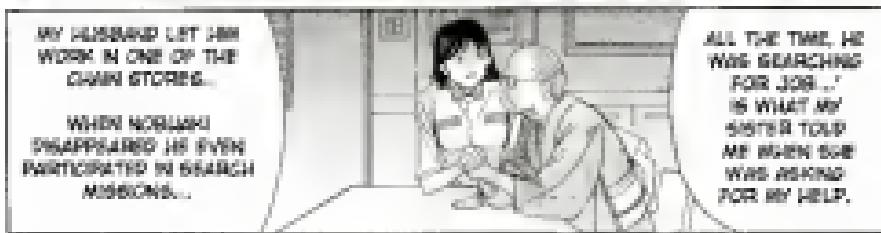
THE LAST  
THING HE  
ATE...

BREAD...





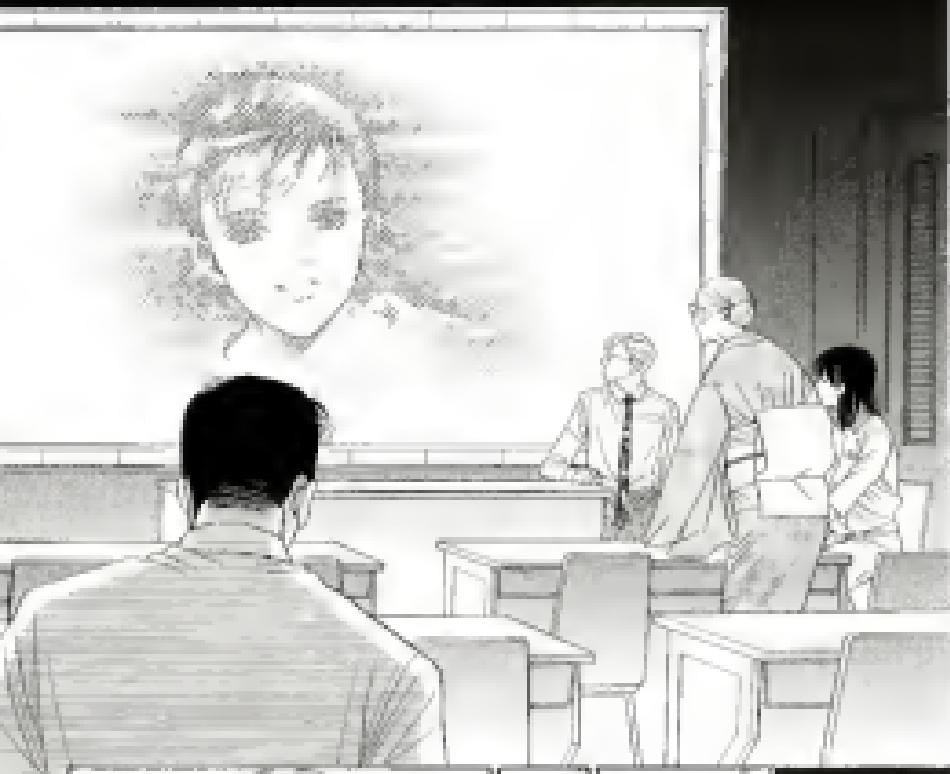














...IT'S YOU  
MITSUBURA  
AKANE-SAN,  
ISN'T IT?

JUST BEFORE HE WAS  
STRANGLER BY KASHIDA,  
THE SLEEPING NOBILIAK  
HAD A DREAM...



YES.  
OF COURSE THIS  
SCENE IS FROM 40  
YEARS AGO....  
POSSIBLY EVEN  
OLDER THAN  
THAT...



...SUCH IN THIS DREAM, HOLLOWED HIMSELF IS A SMALL CHILD.





NORMALLY,  
ONLY PICTURES  
FROM UP TO  
5 YEARS BEFORE  
DEATH CAN BE  
REPRODUCED,  
BUT IF THE VICTIM  
HAS DREAMT OF A  
SIGNIFICANT LIFE  
EVENT REPEATEDLY,  
IT TOO CAN BE  
RETRIEVED LIKE THIS.



THIS SCENE IS FROM  
WHEN YOU WENT  
HORSE RIDING WITH  
THE WHOLE FAMILY,  
ISN'T IT?



AND JUST A MOMENT  
BEFORE HE DABBED  
HIS LAST BREATH—  
HIS MIND RETURNED  
TO THE DREAM HE  
WAS SEEING UNTIL  
JUST ANALYZE  
BEFORE.



AFTER THAT POOR MEAL,  
FOR A BRIEF TIME,  
MORIAMI DREAMED OF  
THIS HAPPY MEMORY.

TO THE VISION  
OF YOU MADAM,  
MRS MOTHER.



MOMMY



MOMMY





...MASHIMA  
WHO  
CONFESSED  
AS WELL...

IT'S JUST A  
SUPPOSITION,  
BUT THIS TIME,  
THE CULPRIT...



IT WAS ON  
ANOTHER CASE,  
BUT THERE WAS  
ONCE A MAN WHO  
ALSO DREAMED  
AGAIN AND AGAIN  
OF AN EVENT FROM  
DECades AGO...  
HE REGRETTED IT  
UNTIL HIS DEATH.



MOMMY!

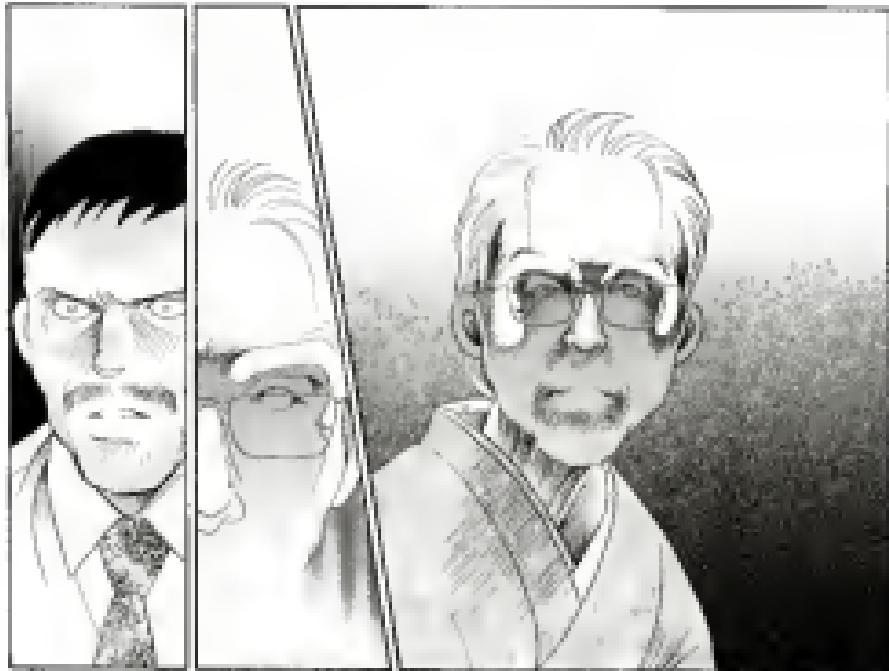
OVER AND OVER AGAIN,  
A NIGHTMARE  
HAUNTING HIM  
ENDLESSLY.

...IS STILL HAVING THE  
SAME DREAM OF WHEN HE  
RAISED HIS HAND ON A  
SMALL CHILD...

WITH THE SHIRT TOO  
HEAVY TO CARRY, AND  
UNABLE TO SLEEP  
THROUGH EVEN ONE NIGHT  
PEACEFULLY...

MAYBE HE  
FINALLY DECIDED  
TO CONFESS,  
TO REPENT...



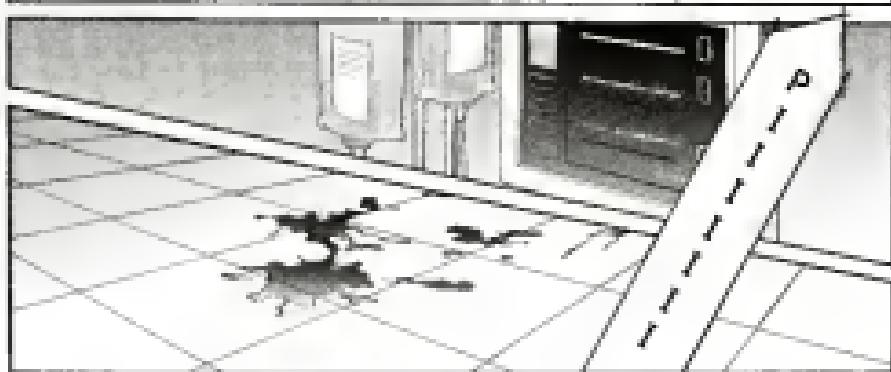


OKABE!













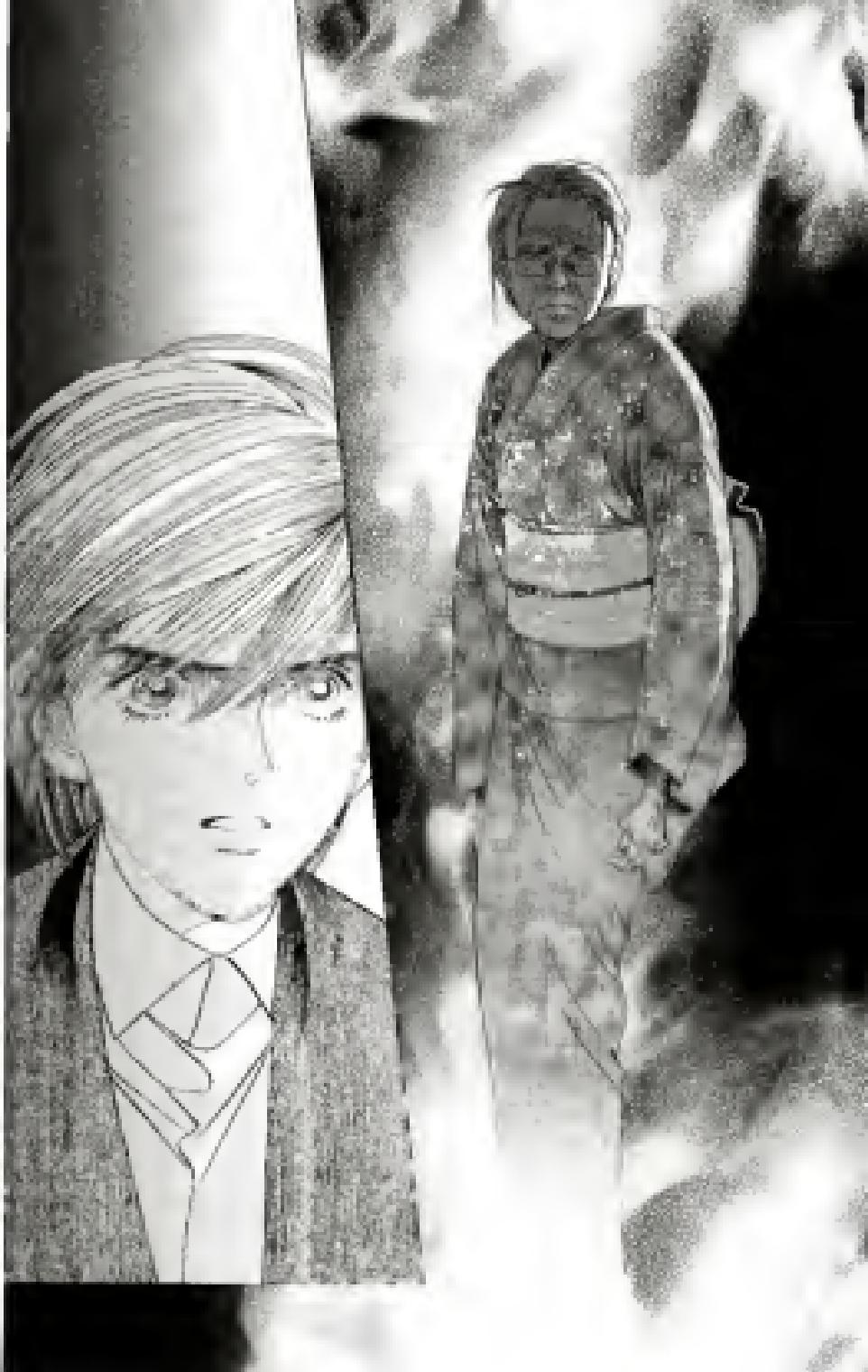


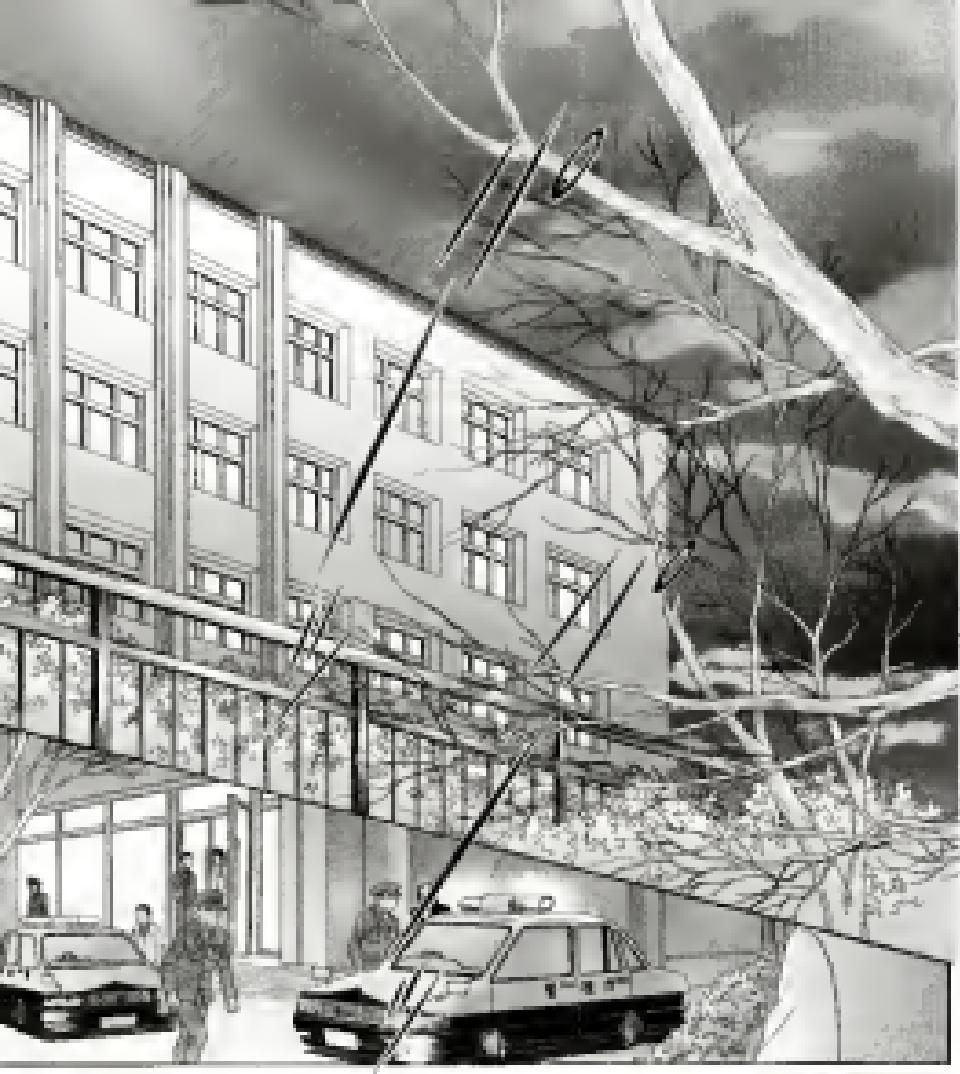


WAS THERE ANY  
'I AGREE THAT I  
SHALL NOT KILL  
PEOPLE  
WHATEVER THE  
CONTENT OF THE  
MRI IMAGES'  
RULE?

WAS THERE  
A RULE IN  
THAT LETTER  
I SIGNED  
THAT I  
VIOLATED?







WHAT IS THE SECURITY OF THIS PLACE DOING, GETTING OUTSMARTED BY A 95 YEARS OLD LADY!

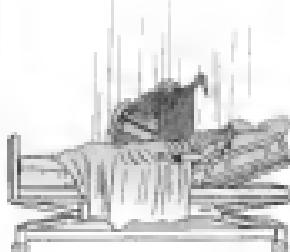
DID YOU DETERMINE HOW SHE GOT THE WEAPON?

NO, WE'RE STILL INVESTIGATING...

IS HE NOT GOING TO SHOW UP EVEN THOUGH WE CAME HERE PERSONALLY??

IT'S EVEN SAID THAT A STAFF MEMBER WHO PITTED THE LADY LET HER SLIP IN! AND WHERE IS HE!! WHERE IS SECTION CHIEF MAKORI!!

She was Nashida's sole remaining relative, his aunt, and she stabbed him right in the chest.



It was few hours before, she passed through the guards claiming she wanted to discuss the inheritance with him. After committing the crime, she got rid of the stains on her kimono and headed to 'The Ninth'







